

# **2013 Report on**

## **2012 KY EXCEL Member**

### **Accomplishments**



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# program benefits:

quarterly member chats

environmental excellence awards

public recognition

networking

case studies

mentoring

reduced-cost training events

KY EXCEL Connect



Welcome to the 2012 KY EXCEL Year in Review! Through your efforts, the program continues to grow and provide tremendous benefits to the citizens of Kentucky. Staff in Frankfort continue to work to enhance the program. Again, we hosted webinars, wrote case studies and recruited new members.

In 2012, we reviewed and approved 15 applications for membership into the program and provided training opportunities that would benefit our members. Case studies were written on KY EXCEL member projects. These case studies may offer ideas for projects that another member could duplicate. Each case study contains sections with a project description, economic value, challenges and advice, benefits and stewardship meaning. We completed five case studies during the year. While busy this year, we look forward to welcoming more new members and interacting with all of our environmental leaders in 2013!



An incentive of membership in KY EXCEL is reduced-cost training. In support of this incentive, the KY EXCEL program works with the rest of the division to host training events for which KY EXCEL members receive a 50 percent discount when they attend. This past year, KY EXCEL partnered to conduct eight training events. We hosted a training event on hazardous waste generator to help members improve their facilities. Trainings were held on NetDMR to help members prepare for this change in regulations. To help improve air quality, we held trainings on annual compliance certification, intro to permitting, area source boiler rule, potential-to-emit calculations

"Without KY EXCEL, NAS would not have been able to complete as many environmental outreach programs and sustainability initiatives."

Maria Eichelberger  
Environmental Manager  
North American Stainless



## 2012 Training Events

- Annual Compliance Certification
- Intro to Permitting
- Hazardous Waste Generator
- Area Source Boiler Rule
- Potential-to-Emit Calculation
- Fugitive Dust/Open Burning
- NetDMR
- Lighting Retrofit



## Newest Additions

Greenberg Family  
 Kentucky Environmental Education Council  
 Robert J. Soffel  
 Servpro of Versailles, Nicholasville & Danville  
 Department for Environmental Protection  
 Eastern KY PRIDE  
 Brad Barnett  
 General Electric Appliance Park  
 Jim Beam Brands Old Grand-Dad Plant  
 Louisville Gas & Electric Cane Run Generating Station  
 North American Stainless  
 Central Motor Wheel of America  
 Certicell LLC  
 National Office Furniture - Fordsville  
 Arch Coal Inc.

and fugitive dust/open burning. We also hosted a lighting retrofit training to explain changes in legislation and new lighting regulations.

We created more case studies in 2012, highlighting five KY EXCEL members. Case studies were written on Kentucky American Water, Keeneland, Jim Beam - Clermont, Bluegrass PRIDE and Duke Energy - East Bend Station. When they are completed, the case studies are posted on the division's Facebook page and submitted for publication in the Environmental News Network newsletter and in other media outlets.

Have you completed a project you think is innovative and could be beneficial to other members? If so, please contact us and we will be happy to work with you on a case study. To see the case studies that have been approved, please visit our website at <http://dca.ky.gov/Pages/ResourceDocuments.aspx>. Once the page opens, click the "+" sign beside "Program: KY EXCEL."

KY EXCEL and the Sustainable Spirits group met for two Sustainable Spirits Summits last year. The first was in March at Woodford Reserve. During the summit, we learned that the distilleries wanted a paper on best management practices from all of the participants.

The second summit was held in November at Heaven Hill's Bourbon Heritage Center in Bardstown. At this meeting, we gave the members an opportunity to view the draft

version of the best management practices paper. Sustainable Spirits Summits will continue in 2013.

The year 2012 was challenging, with everyone having to do more with less. Despite these issues, KY EXCEL continues to show impressive results! We wish to thank our members for their loyalty and support for the program. Without you, the program would not exist. More importantly, Kentucky's environment would be detrimentally affected. Here is to a bright 2013!





# In 2012, KY EXCEL Members...

...educated  
**4,274** students  
and **10,675**  
adults



...saved  
**56 million**  
**gallons of water**  
by recycling paper

...recycled 2,600 pounds  
of hazardous waste



...volunteered 216,144 hours

...completed  
**315 projects**



...planted 6,310 trees and

...saved enough kWh of electricity to run  
**429 computers** continuously for a year



...**saved**

**\$3.1 million**

..recycled 216,530 pounds of  
electronic waste

...**collected and recycled**  
**over 3.5 million pounds of**  
**waste**

..saved nearly 2,064,000  
gallons of water

..prevented 59,200,000  
pounds of greenhouse

A detailed illustration of various types of green grass and weeds, growing in a field.

**84 acres of native grasses**